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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), Applicants hereby cite the following references:

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For the Examiner's convenience, Applicants are enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet) and copy of cited references A7-A8. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's consideration of the above references and entry thereof into the record of this application.

Applicants have cited U.S. Patent No. 6,435,717 B1 for DE 199 43 898. Relevance is also indicated by the background section of the above-captioned application, the enclosed copy of the International Search Report dated

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September 9, 2005, and the International Preliminary Examination Report for the corresponding PCT Application No. PCT/EP2005/052047.

By submitting this Statement, Applicants are attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

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